

McGuire Civilians On 44-Hour Week

Starting Sunday, September 9, all civilian employees at McGuire will work on a 44-hour week, in conformity with War Department directives, post headquarters announced yesterday.

The cut in working hours affects every section in the hospital, and civilians will now work 88 hours during every pay period rather than 96. However, section heads have been asked to stagger the new off-duty hours of their civilian staffs so that activities are covered at all times.

"Except in emergencies, the 44-hour week will not be exceeded by civilians," CWO Lawrence E. Roffman, post adjutant, said. "All section heads are giving attention to setting up work schedules which will insure the same maximum service to patients as under the old 48-hour week, still allowing for the required reduction in work hours."

The civilian personnel office stated that there are two authorized types of schedules which can be established by section heads: a 5½-day work week; a 6-day work week followed by a 5-day work period.

"However," explained Mr. Roland L. Troxler, chief, civilian personnel branch, "when an employee performs on a 6-day, 5-day basis, both weeks must fall within the same bi-weekly pay period. Under such an arrangement, the employee is entitled to an additional day off every second week."

4 HOURS OFF DUTY

In those offices where section heads decide that the 5½-day work week will better meet the needs of their mission, civilians will be excused weekly for 4 hours, either morning or afternoon. Off-duty hours will be staggered in order that an adequate number of personnel be maintained during working hours.

McGuire is now giving treatment to the largest group of patients ever

reported by the A & D office, and maximum care must be afforded in every case. Therefore, offices will find that work loads will have to be accomplished within the shortened working week. Approval for holding employees to the old 48-hour program can be secured from post headquarters only where service to patients will be jeopardized under the abbreviated work week.

Effective 9 September, 1945, the Custodial Services, under the supervision of Hospital Police & Personnel Branch, including the Janitors, Charwomen, and Elevator Operators, will adopt a forty hour work week. No excess overtime for this section will be authorized.

The civilian personnel office announced that offices can adopt a blanket program for all civilian workers employed or establish work hours to cover the required 88 duty hours (two-week period) for each civilian, utilizing either type of authorized schedule.

The Chief, Civilian Personnel Branch, will be furnished with a copy of the program adopted by all branches of the hospital employing civilian personnel by Monday, September 10.

The shortened work week will affect all civilian pay checks, as overtime beyond the normal 40-hour week will generally not exceed the 4 hours.



Patients receiving first Class A Passes from Patients Detachment CO, Lt. Pat Brewer. Left to right—Pfc. Fred N. Herrmann, T-Sgt. Bob Kinney, Pfc. Ervin Harmon, Pvt. Jim Gordon and T-4 Charles Quinn. "These boys have put in a lot of time helping out in this office," said Lt. Brewer, "and it's a pleasure to give them the first passes."

Patients Given Class A Passes

Col. Jolliffe Goes Overseas

Lt. Colonel Katharine Jolliffe, principal chief nurse at McGuire for the past 17 months, leaves tomorrow, Saturday, en route to an important executive nursing assignment overseas.

Col. Jolliffe, who celebrated her 15th year of active army service last Wednesday, will mark her first overseas duty tour when assigned to the Office of the Director of Nurses in Honolulu. She will assist in the supervision of all hospital nursing in the Hawaiian Command. After a short stop-over at the office of the Surgeon General in Washington, Col. Jolliffe will proceed by plane to Honolulu.

The Colonel—then a Major—arrived at McGuire in March of '44, and was on hand to greet the first contingent of nurses reporting for duty at the hospital. Among them were Captains Katherine Ball and Irene Caulfield.

Jewish New Year Begins

Rosh Hashanah, the Jewish New Year, begins tonight at sundown and ends at sundown on Sunday, September 9. Yom Kippur (Day of Atonement) starts Sunday, September 16, and ends on Monday, the 17th.

Most members of the Jewish faith on the Post have already arranged to be away for the holidays, and all members have been notified that there will be no Jewish services held in the Post Chapel tonight.

Richmond synagogues have issued a special invitation for McGuire patients and personnel to attend the services in town.

New Pass System Liked by Patients

Passes for patients were further liberalized this week with the announcement that patients whose physical condition warrant will be granted permanent Class A passes, which allow them to absent themselves from the hospital overnight and on week ends.

Class A passes are not automatically authorized for each patient, but will be granted at the discretion of the Ward officer, patient detachment CO Lt. Pat Brewer, pointed out.

"Patients must clearly understand that Colonel Duggins places on his own honor every patient who holds a Class A pass," Lt. Brewer said. "Patients are required to return to the hospital at the stipulated hour and conduct themselves in a soldierly manner at all times. General cooperation with all civil and military authorities as well as with all hospital authorities is a must or pass privileges may be revoked."

"This new pass program is not generally used at other hospitals, and Colonel Duggins expects the full cooperation of every McGuire patient in putting it over here," said the lieutenant.

Patients whose passes are withdrawn and placed in the inactive file because of poor attitude or conduct will be restricted to the ward or post until the Ward officer restores pass privileges.

"Faulty attendance at reconditioning, physio-therapy, or other required activities will also place a patient on the restricted list," Lt. Brewer added.

Once issued, Class A passes and clothing may be picked up daily at the baggage room at 4 pm, and on Saturdays, at 12 noon. Moreover, patients who show their tickets for the Washington bus (Continued on page 3)

PW Patients Get Promoted

McGuire patients who were prisoners of war either of the Japanese or Germans and have not received a promotion since their liberation were urged today to see Lt. Chris J. Edmonds, Personal Affairs Officer, immediately.

"The Army has adopted a policy of giving special consideration toward promotion of recovered prisoners of war," Lt. Edmonds explained. "Any man in the hospital who was captured by the enemy should see me or telephone me if he is interested in a one-grade advancement."

The Army's policy is based on the presumption that a man would have been promoted, through the normal course of events, if he had not been captured, Lt. Edmonds explained. If a man shows any evidence of being qualified for the next higher grade, he will in all likelihood receive the promotion.

The one-grade promotion of men who served with the armed forces on Wake, Guam, Netherlands East Indies or in the Philippines prior to May, 1942, and who were captured or evaded capture by the Japanese, will be promoted automatically, according to War Department directives. Enlisted promotions for men in this category will be grade rather than technician promotions and will be made without regard to position vacancies.

Men taken prisoner by the Japanese after May, 1942, and those held at any time by the Germans will receive promotions based on the presumption that advancement was interrupted by imprisonment, Lt. Edmonds said.

Lt. Edmonds' office is in the new Army Counseling Center, which occupies old Ward 26. The telephone extension is 482

Key Hospital Majors Upped to Colonels

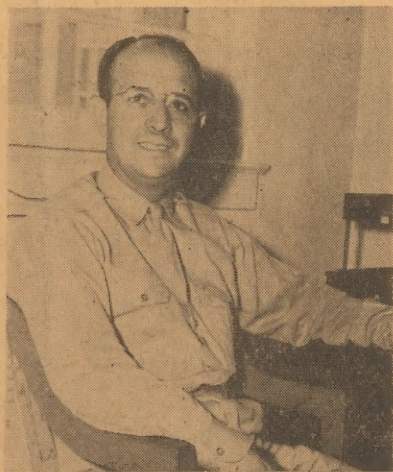


MAJOR ROBERTSON

The promotion of Majors Robert C. Robertson and Carlo S. Scuderi, to the temporary rank of Lieutenant Colonel, was announced this week by hospital commanding officer, Colonel P. E. Duggins.

These promotions brought the total pairs of silver leaves on McGuire shoulders to seven. Lieutenant Colonel Richard Schatzki, chief of X-ray service, was the last to achieve the grade prior to the promotions of Robertson and Scuderi.

The two new "silver leafers" hold key positions in the hospital surgical service, with Col. Robertson's neurosurgery section treating over



MAJOR SCUDERI

half of McGuire's 3,516 patients, while Col. Scuderi heads up the general and orthopedic surgery section.

Col. Scuderi has been a member of McGuire staff since May of last year, and Col. Robertson joined the staff five months ago when the hospital was assigned the neurosurgery specialty.

Before coming to McGuire, Col. Scuderi was attending surgeon at Wakeman General Hospital of Indiana, and Cook County Hospital of Chicago. He received his MD degree in 1928 from the Medical School of the University of Illinois, and a

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McGUIRE BANNER

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My Road to Victory

By 1ST SGT. GARNETT W. SHIPLEY, Patient in Ward 6

(1st Sgt. Garnett W. Shipley, of Martinsburg, W. Va., served with the 82nd Airborne from Africa through Italy, France and Germany. Twice wounded before the Battle of the Bulge, in which he lost his right arm and left leg, Sgt. Shipley takes great pride in the fact that men of the 82nd had seen action in almost every country involved in World War II. His brother, Master Sergeant Douglas, has just returned from 34 months' service in CBI.)

The war has ended for those of us who came through reasonably sound and whole—and to those of us who died before returning.

But to those of us who only died in part—who left behind a part of our physical beings as hostages to Mars—VICTORY is yet to come.

I came back minus one arm and one leg. I know it will be many long, weary months before my stumps will have healed sufficiently to be fitted with artificial limbs. And there'll be many long weeks after that before I learn to use the artificial limbs well enough to get about again.

And all along the way now—and afterward—I'll have a constant battle against the maudlin sympathy and pity of well-meaning relatives and friends.

But I'll conquer all that, and my V-Day will come.

Probably I shall be unable to do the same work that I was doing when I came into the army, but some day I shall be an independent, self-sustaining community member, and well able to support myself and family.

I am unusually fortunate in having an understanding wife. We have been married four years, and for more than three of those years I have been in the army.

When I first returned from more than two years' overseas service, so badly maimed, my greatest anxiety was—"How will my wife take this? Will she understand and help me fight, or will she smother me with sympathy until I lose all self-respect and wallow in self-pity?"

It was foolish of me to have given myself a moment's worry on that score, for she met me with the same old beautiful smile of welcome, and treated me as if I were the same as before except for a slight temporary illness.

She consults me about family matters, and acts as though my opinions and decisions were of paramount importance—and I love it!

There are many amputees here at McGuire who feel as I do—that our victory shall be won only when we can take our places again as men among men. And most of us who feel that way will do it. All we ask of you is that you do not make the going more tough by your pity or passing the hat.

To be sure, there are some of us who revel in that sort of thing—they'll be the ones you see in a few years from now on street corners, or outside of crowded buildings—trying to look pathetic in faded uniform or service ribbons—holding out apples or pencils for you to pay for without taking.

But the amputee who chooses that road does so only because his soul has already long been earmarked as a petitioner for alms. That's what he was at heart long before he lost an arm or leg.

But for those of us who think like men, and want to walk and act like men—there's only one road, the road of independence in a world of freedom and democracy. And that will be my road to Victory!

SOUND OFF

By PVT. OTIS TARNO,
Patient in Ward 35

(Pvt. Tarno came to McGuire as a patient on May 23rd to receive treatment for an ankle fractured while on maneuvers a few days before that.)

Sure I want to enlist in the Regular Army. Why not? What have I got to lose?

I'm 21 years old, come from Pleasanton, Calif., and was drafted into the Army of the United States on August 23, 1944. I have not been overseas, although I bucked hard enough for it. They made me sweat it out in the Ordnance at Aberdeen Proving Grounds. I want to get into Air Corps Ordnance, and can ask for it—and get it—when I enlist.

The army in peacetime is a good deal—I'll get an excellent training, good food and medical care and clothing; some travel—and I'll be living the healthy masculine life that makes American soldiers the best in the world.

My hobbies are swimming, fishing, football and boxing, and I know I'll get plenty of all of them in the army.

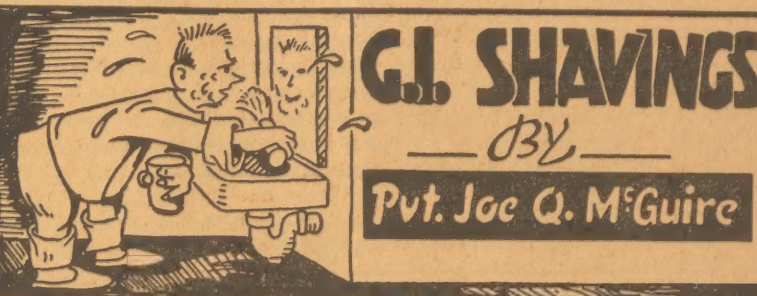
Promotion? Well, they say promotions are very slow in peace time, but I'm not stripe happy, so what?

When all the boys my age get out of the army, they'll probably all get good jobs and make good money—at first. But in about a year's time when things begin to level off, I'll be the one that's sitting pretty.

And when I come out of the army, three years from now, I'll be in better shape physically, and will probably be better trained than the fellows of my age that got out when I enlisted. And I'll know better what I want to do and be better equipped to do it.

The Wolf

by Sansone



Week of Friday, September 7. Show for patients at 6:15 p.m.; for duty personnel at 8:15 p.m.
FRIDAY—"I Love a Band Leader," with Phil Harris, Eddie "Rochester" Anderson.
SATURDAY—"Caribbean Mystery," with James Dunn, Sheila Ryan.
SUNDAY AND MONDAY—"Our Vines Have Tender Grapes," with Edward G. Robinson, Margaret O'Brien.
TUESDAY—Double Feature Program: "Easy to Look At," with Gloria Jean, Kirby Grant; "Shanghai Cobra," with Sidney Toler, Mantan Moreland.
WEDNESDAY & THURSDAY—"Duffy's Tavern," with Ed Gardner, Marjorie Reynolds, and guest stars.
FRIDAY—"Swingin' on a Rainbow," with Jane Frazee, Brad Taylor.



By SUZANNE McL. CONNELL

The psychological novel demands attention in your library not only because of quality, but because of quantity. Among new novels received recently, the greatest number have a psychological viewpoint and an emphasis on character.

So, if you're interested in reading a novel in which the chief interest is in character rather than plot, be sure to notice some of the new fiction now in your library. Such books as *So Well Remembered*, by Hilton; *The Ghostly Lover*, by Elizabeth Hardwick; *The Ballad and the Source*, by Rosamond Lehman, are just a few of the books which should interest the reader who is seeking a novel about character rather than adventure, atmosphere rather than plot.

A word or so for a dog. "Danger" the frisky little pride of the detachment has gone to dog heaven. He was always ready with a pleasant greeting; and he liked chasing cars. His hobby caught up with him and now he frisks no more.

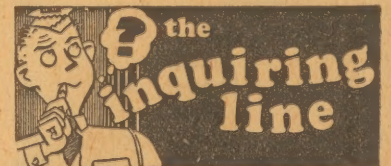
Bob Schimpf and Ben Rosenberg (like fifty other fellows) have assumed the position of "On YOUR MARK." They expect to be civilians soon and at present they have barracks bags packed. Don't get the idea that they are anxious to leave. It's just that they don't care to consume any more extra time in Uncle Sam's army. Their ears are cocked for "Get Ready, Get Set, Go."

SOFTBALL: Last Tuesday night the Generals assembled to toss the pellet about. First of all McGuire won. Secondly, it was a colorful fray.

At one point in the game the op-

She: "You must not, Bill. You're an an officer and a gentleman, you know."

He: "But it's just a temporary appointment."



By LT. ART LAIBLY

Q. What are the provisons under which a former P.O.W. may be promoted?

A. Former enlisted P.O.Ws below the 1st grade may be promoted one grade after their return to the United States military control, if the circumstances surrounding loss to U.S. military control were honorable, and if it is reasonable to assume that they would have been so promoted at some prior date, but for their loss to the U.S. military control.

Q. I own a farm which my younger brother has been running in my absence. They tell me that local taxes have been accumulating at a fast clip. Will I be permitted to borrow money under the GI Bill to pay off these taxes?

A. You will. You may get either a farm loan, or a home loan to pay off the taxes on your property. The same thing applies to taxes on a town or city home owned by a GI. 26—or call Ext. 259)

ponets were retired on eight pitched balls. One out was a pop-up salted away by Catcher Bill Allison. The second out was a big hop to Short Stop Bob Morris which he quickly rifled to First Baseman Bill Schaub. And the third out was a bounce to Pitcher Bob Conway. This he promptly forwarded special delivery to retire the side.

Sid Diamond as usual was all over the place. At one point he brushed our second baseman while the latter was about to tag a base thief. Our second sacker started to chase Diamond, our own man, when he realized that Sid was one of our boys.

The classic remark of the game was made when Coggins was tearing down the first base line to beat an infield throw. Coggins touched the sack and kept driving until someone yelled, "Hey Charlie, come on back. You're safe."

The team that lost was the marines. Yes they were the ones who landed.

Q. Would the Veterans Administration consider a baseball school a legitimate school, under the provisions of the GI Bill? I refer to one of those run by the various teams in New York. Would they give me the maintenance if I attended such a school?

A. A veteran may enroll in any educational or training institution approved by the Veterans Administration. Bona fide baseball schools are acceptable. Maintenance benefits will be paid to Veterans attending such a school.

Q. When I am discharged I expect to go into a business of my own. If the business does not succeed, will I be able to get any money under the unemployment provisions of the GI Bill of Rights?

A. If your business folds up and you are not earning any money, you will get \$20.00 a week. Should your business fall off so that you earn less than \$100.00 during any one calendar month you will get the difference between your net earnings and \$100.00 up to 10 and 1 months.

(For furthr information see Lt. Arthur A. Laibly in the Army Counseling Center—formerly Ward

Bars and Stripes

To Lieutenant Colonel—
Major Robert C. L. Robertson
Major Carlo S. Scuderi

To Technician Third Grade—
T-4 Ryland C. Fox

To Technician Fifth Grade—
Pvt. Marie M. Mijon

RECREATION CENTER NO. 2

A special meeting for members of Recreation Center No. 2 is called for Tuesday evening, September 11, at 8:15 o'clock in Love and Union Hall, 19th and Decatur Streets, in Richmond, it was announced today by President James Taylor and Secretary Madeline Williams.

Business of importance is to be discussed, and all committee chairmen and members are urged to attend.



"He's got enough points to get out right now. He's just hanging around waiting for his Soldiers Deposits to draw another 4% interest."

Amputee Patient Plans Stage Dancing Career

“Leg Lost in War No Handicap”— Says Pfc. Ziegler

Pfc. William B. Ziegler, now a patient in ward 3, broke down and cried like a baby when they showed Donald O'Connor in "Swing Fever" on the wards of the 24th General Hospital, North Africa, while he was a patient there.

O'Connor was the jitterbugging star of the picture and Ziegler couldn't bear the sight of another man dancing. A mine in the Italian campaign had cost Ziegler a left leg and he regarded his professional dancing days as over.

But he came back to the States to find that he could dance with the best of them; and he did just that several months ago at Washington's Hotel Statler and the Copacabana.

Within two hours after he was fitted with an artificial leg at Walter Reed Hospital, Ziegler happened on a dancing class there, and after his first dancing lesson, realized that his pre-war dream of a Broadway future was still a possibility. Dancing always came easy to him, and in a matter of weeks he was helping to teach ballroom

dancing, rhumbas, and "all out" jitterbugging to the other amputees.

"I found that it was easy to dance," he explained. "It was just a question of catching the rhythm and then throwing your legs around in time to the music."

In fact, Ziegler found that he could dance even before he learned to walk with an artificial limb. "That's what I like to do while I'm here at McGuire—teach dancing to amputees life myself. Moreover, I've found that a man can learn walking a lot faster if he practices taking steps to music," Ziegler said.

While at Walter Reed, Ziegler, veteran of the 34th Division, became subject matter for a newsreel and a feature story in Life magazine. His ability to dance became so apparent that surrounding night clubs put in bids for his services. In addition to making public appearances, he served as a dancing and walking instructor.

Ziegler refused a medical discharge as he wanted "to travel around the different hospitals and help the other fellows as much as I can." He joined the combat veteran cast of "Egg in Your Beer", after it played here at McGuire and sang in the chorus.

"I'd rather dance than sing," said Ziegler, "but the show had been on tour for some time and the routines were all set. However, in between shows I made the rounds of the wards and danced."

"A lot of the amputees wouldn't believe that I was dancing on an artificial leg. They made me pull my pants leg up. I know just how skeptical they can be. I was the same way myself once."

Now a patient at McGuire, Ziegler is getting ready for a discharge from the army.

"But I'm still continuing my tours of army camps and especially hospitals. I'm going to join a USO unit and travel about."

As for his plans after a year or so of jaunting about with the USO—"I'm heading for Broadway. Before I joined up I made a lot of friends on Broadway, and since I lost my leg I have discovered a lot more. I don't know whether it will be singing or dancing, but I've always had show business in my blood," Ziegler concluded.

Featured on WRVA's half-hour radio show, "Open House at McGuire" tomorrow at 5:30 will be Ziegler's own story of his plucky come-back in spite of his handicap, and he will also sing one of the popular songs of today.



In the ward day room, Pfc. Ziegler practices dance steps with his nurse, Lt. Roma Jane Wathan, of Greenville, Pa., as amputee patients Pfc. Thomas Shomo (Ward 5), S-Sgt. Howard E. Bixler, T-5 Joseph Tolan, and Pvt. Benjamin P. Dever (all of Ward 3) look on.

Class A Passes

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leaving at 12:30 on Saturdays will be permitted to pick up passes and clothing at an earlier hour in order to insure their making the bus in good time.

"There should be no baggage room congestion problem because of the increased number of patients going on pass", commented Lt. Brewer. "A fellow who does not have a definite appointment, but is just going into town for the sake of having somewhere to go will certainly be courteous enough to give the other fellow a break."

"The baggage room will be open full time now, and there will be a number of civilian employes added to the present GI staff. There will be no excuse for having clothing or passes on the Ward as each man on pass is required to sign his out-going and in-coming time in the book provided for the purpose in the baggage room."

"It is suggested that patients returning to the hospital get off the bus at the fire house stop, which is close to the baggage room, as this will save time and steps; and the time of return signed in at the baggage room will be the official time of that patient's return."

"Late returns will be excused only in cases of proven transportation delay, or for other legitimate reasons. And even these will not be excused if they occur too often," the lieutenant warned.

The inauguration of the Class A pass policy will in no way affect the issue of three-day passes or furloughs. These will be granted as formerly at the discretion of the Ward officer, and upon the time basis now in effect.

Following is a cross section of opinions on the new pass policy:—

LT. JOHN BERMAN, Special Services Officer, "The new pass system will give the patients a great opportunity to take advantage of the many invitations extended to them each week to visit homes, attend picnics, shows, parties, etc. I'm certain the system will insure even greater attendance at the off-the-post, outdoor activities sponsored by Special Services and Red Cross."

CAPTAIN DAVID TIESZEN, chief of reconditioning educational section, "I think it is an excellent system, in that it removes much of the control from men who are

preparing to return to civilian life, and gives them the feeling of being on their own. Placing them on their honor is one of the best points of the system, as the patients here on the whole, are men of integrity and good judgment."

CAPTAIN HYMAN SEGAL, medical officer of bldg. 303, "I think the system is good in that it is not only benefits the patients and gives them greater privileges, but will also be of benefit to military duty personnel, especially on week-ends. The more patients out on pass, the more week-end leaves for duty personnel."

MISS MARGARET CRUTCHFIELD, chief recreational worker of McGuire Red Cross, "The system should prove to be a great morale builder. It may be necessary to alter our program types a bit, if most of the ambulatory patients will be out of the hospital during recreational hours, we shall probably provide activities directly suited to non-ambulatory patients."

T-SGT. ROBERT KINNEY, patient in Ward 24, "I think it is a wonderful idea. As you know, I have been working here in the office with Lt. Brewer for the past few weeks, and I know how much time and trouble it will save for the fellow going on pass as well as for us here in the office. You don't mind being treated like an irresponsible school boy when you are sick, but it sure gripes a convalescent man to be treated that way."

TEC-4 CHARLES QUINN, patient in Ward 2, "I like the idea very much, for I live in Richmond, and it will mean a great deal to me to be able to get home every night. I've been working down in Lt. Brewer's office for the past few weeks, and when I first heard the system was going into effect, I worried about the situation in the baggage room, but Lt. Brewer says he has that under control and that that's good enough for me."

PFC. ERVIN HARMON, patient in Ward 51, "I think it's a darn nice gesture. The nicest thing about it is that you won't have to plan extra-curricular activities so far in advance. If something unexpected or particularly attractive turns up at five o'clock, you won't have to sit around and bite your fingernails because you failed to apply for that pass 24 hours in advance."

PFC. RAY ANDERSON, patient in Ward 10, "It's wonderful, just to have the opportunity of getting out and getting your mind off of your troubles. . . . just to know that you're not pinned down to one spot and don't have to see the same old things all the time helps a guy to relax. It will save a lot of paper work, and we won't have to bother so many people so often for passes. Also, if a patient's family come to visit him, he can go into town and have dinner with them or take in a show."

The consensus of opinion of all the patients was that it was an ideal system and that "we'll see to it that none of the patients abuse the privilege."

Grievance Committee

When announcing today the election of six new members of the Civilian Grievance Committee, Col. Duggins stressed the importance of this committee as a clearing-house for complaints, and a direct channel for facilitating adjustment of legitimate complaints and suggestions.

"Complaints may be submitted anonymously," the Colonel stated, "and no complaint will ever, under any circumstance, be used to the disfavor of the person submitting it."

The six new members of the committee who will serve during the months of September and October are:

Miss Dorothy Crews, Administrative Employes

Mrs. Ruth V. Boisseau, Laundry and Motor Pool

Miss Glorine S. Roane, Mess and Dietetics

Mr. Julius W. Gerring, Post Engineer's Office

Mrs. Angil J. Brooks, Police and Personnel Branch, Ward Attendants, and Junior Medical Attendants

Mr. Leo C. Scott, Supply Laborers, Janitors, Charwomen, Storekeepers, Elevator Operators and Post Engineer Laborers

The Civilian Grievance Committee, as well as the committees representing post EM and Wacs, meet with Col. Duggins each Wednesday for the airing of complaints.

You can usually tell by the gasoline tank how far your buddy got the night before.

Blood Donors Needed Now

There is a very critical shortage of at least 200 blood donors here at McGuire, it was announced today by Lt. Col. Walter C. Merkel, Chief of the Laboratory Service.

During the past month more than 120 transfusions were given to McGuire patients—almost 50 of these in one week alone. This means that these more than 120 donors cannot be used again for at least six to eight weeks.

For the transfusions that will be needed during this month, only about one-third of the required number of donors is available on the register.

"Last month it was necessary to call upon civilians off the post to meet the demand for the required number of blood donors. Yet, if every civilian employee and military duty person here on the post had registered in advance, it would not have been necessary to call upon outsiders to do our job," said Col. Merkel.

While all blood types will be needed, the greatest shortage is among the O and A types.

To many of the overseas wounded veterans who are patients here, a blood transfusion might mean the difference between life and death, and will certainly mean the difference of several months in the advancement of his convalescence.

It is important that all blood donors be registered in advance to permit the necessary preliminary testing and cross-matching, which if done sufficiently far in advance, will save precious minutes when the need for an emergency transfusion arises.

Every member of McGuire military duty personnel and every civilian employee of the hospital is urged to report at once, in person, to the Laboratory and sign up for the blood donors register.

A marine was relating his jungle experiences: "Ammunition, food and whiskey had run out; we were all parched with thirst."

"Wasn't there any water?"

"Sure, but who wanted to wash?"

McGUIRE On the Air

OPEN HOUSE AT McGUIRE Saturday, 5:30-6 p.m. From WRVA HEAR Pfc. William B. Ziegler, of Ward 3, sing and tell his own story of preparing for a stage dancing career despite the loss of a leg in battle.

Written and directed by Lt. Howard B. Leeds, Public Relations Officer, and narrated by Sgt. Barry Sherman.

HEAR special music by Eddie Weaver's McGuire Band.

MONKEYSHINES AT McGUIRE Friday, 7:30-8:00 p.m. WRNL HEAR and SEE this hilarious quiz show at the Red Cross. Fun begins at 7 p.m.

CORPORAL EDDIE WEAVER Thursday, 3:35-4:00 p.m. WRVA HEAR organ melodies by McGuire's band leader. Featuring interviews with patients.

OKAY AMERICA Tues., Sept. 11, 9:30-10 pm. WRVA HEAR AND SEE this all-patient show starring Joe Brown transcribed in Red Cross Hall. Show begins at 7 p.m.

Chapel Schedule

PROTESTANT

Sunday Service.....9:30 a.m. and, at 10:30 a.m in Conference Room, Bldg. 303.

CATHOLIC

Sunday Mass8:30, 11 a.m. Daily Mass.....5 p.m. Confessions Saturday, 6:30, 8 p.m. and Daily before Mass.

Key Majors

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Ph.D. degree in Surgery from the same University in 1940. He was associated with Illinois University as Assistant Professor of Surgery, and is now on leave from that position.

Col. Robertson came to McGuire after 35 months' service as Chief of Neurosurgery at Brook General Hospital, Texas. He has held a commission in the Army Medical Reserve Corps since 1934.

A mint julep is a depth bomb with a southern drawl.

2nd Blind Bogey Tourney Staged

The second "blind bogey" golf tournament for patients and duty military personnel, sponsored by the Special Services Branch, will be staged next Wednesday, September 12, at Laurel Country Club.

The first "blind bogey" was so well received that a return engagement was made in response to popular demand. Now that all professional and administrative duty officers are scheduled for a weekly half-day off, this second tourney should card even more entries than the first.

The same type of "blind bogey" golf will be played, with awards being made to the winner of the "bogey" and for high and low gross scores (a trophy and a dozen Walter Hagen "Mallard" golf balls to "bogey," and a dozen Hagen golf balls each to highest and lowest scorer).

Last week's winners are expected to be on deck to defend their laurels against some of the new "dark

'TEN—SHUN!

Post Adjutant, CWO Lawrence E. Roffman, announced today that all EM desiring to compete in the "blind bogey" golf tournament may participate if they can be released from duty by chief of each section for the length of time required.

Those who can secure releases and wish to play are requested to contact Lt. Berman, Ext. 224, and register for entry in the tournament.

horse" entries, and a fast and furious tournament is promised.

"We should like to see more feminine entries this time," an-

Lost Ball



Message Center's Sgt. F. Wolf finds it tough in the rough.

nounced Special Services Officer, Lt. John Berman. "Any score counts, and may win bogey or booby—remember the big 143 that Sgt. Ray Treon chalked up last week, and remember that it netted him a dozen top-flight golf balls. So why not take a chance, girls? Just phone Ext. 224 and get your name on the entry list," said the lieutenant.

Patients—both officer and EM—will go out in the morning, and duty personnel in the afternoon.

Refreshments will be served at the 19th hole.

Bill Allison Cops Hit Title

According to the score-book for the Capital City Softball League season just signing off, Bill Allison is way out in front as the Generals' leading hitter. Here is the evidence:

	AB.	R.	H.	Pct.
Allison	42	2	14	.333
Conway	35	5	9	.257
Trent	13	2	3	.231
Cheswick	24	0	5	.208
Diamond	39	10	8	.205
Wolf	15	0	3	.200
Sheppard	10	1	2	.200
Ancypowic	5	0	1	.200
Morris	31	5	6	.194
Sheehan	27	3	5	.185
Guglielmetti	22	3	4	.182
Weinstein	6	1	1	.167
Erswell	7	1	1	.143
Miller	26	3	3	.115
Coggins	11	2	1	.091
Roffman	34	2	2	.059
Atmanchik	24	0	0	.000
Schaub	6	0	0	.000
Bianco	2	0	0	.000

B. HINES LEADS GIRLS ON HITS

And here's how the McGuirettes stack up at the end of the Dixie Girls' Softball League season:

	AB.	R.	H.	Pct.
Hines, B.	20	5	9	.450
Shaninian	5	1	2	.400
Adams	17	2	6	.353
Viar	15	0	5	.333
Frith	31	5	10	.323
Vejvoda	34	6	10	.294
Newsome	15	2	4	.267
Barnoy	32	12	8	.250
Hines, C.	4	0	1	.250
Redden	25	2	6	.231
Hardy	9	0	2	.222
Crapo	32	3	4	.125
Hare	23	4	2	.087
Poore	25	3	2	.080
Kleindienst	11	0	0	.000

In league standing the Generals placed third in the Capital City League, while the McGuirettes came in fourth with the Dixie Girls.

Overseas Broadcast

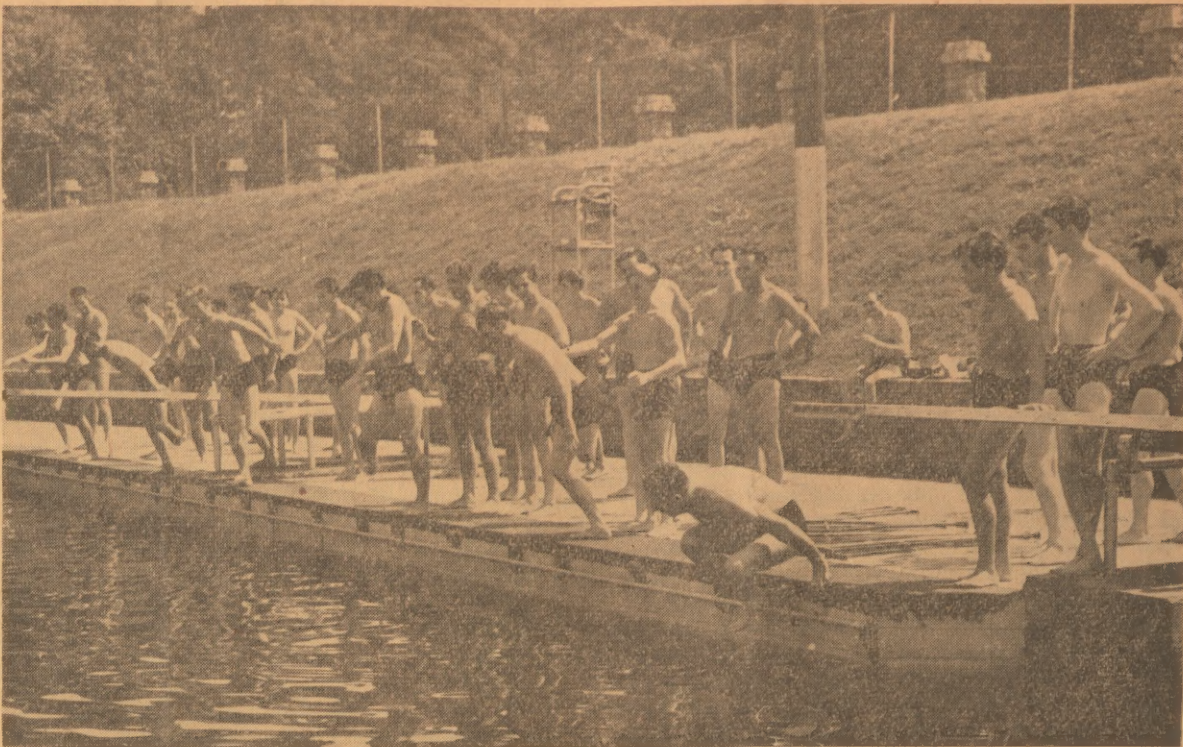
Civilian personnel's Mrs. Virginia Epperly had the thrill of her life a morning or so ago, when Mrs. Taberelli of the same department (who is now a patient in the hospital) telephoned her to listen in on WRVA to the "Jack Stone Overseas Interviews" program.

Mrs. Epperly double timed to the nearest radio and tuned in just in time to hear her husband's voice in an interview. He is stationed in the Philippines with the 594th Engineers, and the broadcast via short wave originated in Manila.

When asked if he had any word for the folks at home he came through with a hearty, "Hello Geva" that put stars in her eyes. It wasn't until later that she began to wonder how he lost his southern accent.

It is better to have loved and lost than never to have loved at all. It is better for the jeweler, the florist, and the newspaper boy—and sometimes for the lawyers.

AMPUTEE RELAY AT SHIELDS LAKE POOL



"Amputees as well as other McGuire patients have enjoyed the facilities of the Shields Lake pool this summer," said Capt. John Sisley, Chief of Physical Reconditioning. "Through the courtesy of the City of Richmond Recreation Department, we have been able to conduct swimming classes, relays and races daily between 1:30 and 3 p.m. We are especially grateful to the park life guards who so generously gave much of their off-duty time toward making this possible. Now that our own hospital pool is opening, it will no longer be necessary to use the Shields Lake pool."

Men's Singles Tennis Tilt Carded Monday

Exclusively male will be the "Consolation" Tennis tourney scheduled for next week, Monday through Friday, on the post tennis courts located between building 303 and the gym.

Officer and EM patients, military personnel and civilians of the masculine gender who like to bat a tennis ball around are invited to register with the Special Services Office, extension 224 for entry in this singles elimination tennis match.

Just as the BANNER went to press, a frantic telephone plea from Cpl. Al Bianco of the Special Services Office came in. "Please announce that we have just scheduled an all-feminine 'consolation' tennis match which will be played at the same time as the men's contest, and on one of the courts in the same area.

"Yes, the femmes will also be awarded prizes in each group, exactly like those of the men, and the girls will also have a women's doubles match at the same time the men do," added the subdued corporal.

After the first round, eliminations will be on the basis of best two out of every three, and finals at the end of the eliminations will be played for the best three out of five sets.

In the finals, elimination losers will be matched against each other, and elimination winners will play against the other winners until a finalist in each group is determined.

Separate prizes will be awarded to finalist in each group—the winners group prize being a trophy, while the losers group prize will be an-

Post Pool to Open ---Weather or No

Weather or no—McGuire swimming pool will soon be in use. With all construction work of the pool completed, the hospital laboratory is now making bacteriological tests, and the pool should be ready for use within the next two weeks, Major Walter Belitz, post engineer, announced today.

Ground for the 50x100-foot pool was broken last May, but unavoidable delays were encountered during construction, when pumping and chlorinating equipment was found unavailable for installation as planned.

The new machinery has all been set up, and the pool filled with

flowing water so that necessary chemical tests may now be made to determine the health safety of the water content.

The announcement of the pool's readiness within a fortnight necessitates immediate planning by various departments responsible for supervision of the pool and its activities.

Although intended primarily for use of the patients, the pool will be open to military personnel of the post at varying hours, which will depend upon the difficulty met in securing qualified life guards to be in attendance during scheduled swim periods.

You Just Must Get One

New York (CNS)—For all you nostalgic fellows who will want something to remember the Army by after discharge, here's just the thing: a sterling silver money clip with a place to snap on one of your dog tags.

The jeweler selling it advertises that the dog tag is "so important a part of (the vet's) life in the service that most men will want it as a lifelong memento, as permanent identification, and for its utility value." Only \$6.95, too!

nounced later.

Beginning on Monday of the week following the singles contest, a men's doubles tennis tilt will be played, and those hardy males still able to navigate well enough to participate may select their own team mates at the time of registration for entry.

Red Cross Family Room Now Open

Mothers with young children who visit McGuire are invited to enjoy the many facilities of the recreation hall and family room between the hours of 4:00 to 7:00 p. m. when visiting on the wards is not permitted, according to Miss Loraine Schmitt, acting Field Director of McGuire Red Cross.

The room is just off the new recreation hall and day room for patients, which was originally the men's detachment day room, and is open daily—1:00 to 9:00 p.m.

Operated under the supervision of the Red Cross, a representative is on duty there daily; and many games, toys, "mother goose" books and a crib and play pen make the youngest generation feel right at home.

Male Call

by Milton Caniff, creator of "Terry and the Pirates"

"You Are Going To A Strange Country"

